

William S. Porter (O'Hare) House  
San Antonio, Texas.

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Historic American Buildings Survey  
Bartlett Cocke, District Officer  
San Antonio, Texas, 615 Maverick Bldg.

WILLIAM S. PORTER (O'HENRY) HOUSE  
San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas.

Present Owner: Mr. E. Kush

Date of Erection: 1855

Architect: Unknown

Builder: Unknown

Present Condition: Poor

Number of Stories: One

Materials of Construction: Walls adobe 12" thick, wood floors,  
shingle roof.

Other Existing Records: Placque by DeZavala Chapter of Texas  
Landmarks.

Additional Data:

Williams S. Porter, more commonly known as O'Henry, lived in this little three room house. Consequently it has been known for many years as the O'Henry House.

The house faces East, has a two bay roofed porch across the front, this porch treatment being typical of the porches built by early Polish and German settlers. The roof was originally covered with shingles but is now covered with galvanized iron. The most interesting interior feature is a fireplace in the kitchen which is raised above the floor, and was probably used for cooking purposes.

This house is now used as an art studio.

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